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Dear Mr. Keck:

I now have your good letter of May 24. Naturally I am pleased to note that you have found merit in my work.

There is no validity whatever in tales of a conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy. I, for one, would be deeply pleased if evidence of such a conspiracy were found. It would give Kennedy's death a meaning, endowing him with martyrdom. Unhappily, there is no evidence of one. However, I am pleased to enclose the bookplate signed as you requested.

Faithfully,

William Manchester
Professor of History Emeritus

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